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This Date In History—Aug. 8.

1500—Pope Alexander VI (Rodrigo Borgia, the infamous) died of poison prepared for some cardinals, but given to him by his father, born 1431; died 1500.
 1641—Henry VIII married his fifth wife, Catherine Howard; finding her not a virgin, he had her beheaded.
 1776—Benjamin Stillman, noted American scientist, born; died 1854.
 1823—John Rodgers, admiral and son of the more famous John, born in Hartford county, Md.; died 1882.
 1883—General Gouverneur K. Warren, veteran commander of the Army of the Potomac, died in Newport, R. I.; born 1833. General Warren distinguished himself at Little Round Top, Gettysburg, and later as commander of the Fifth Army corps. At the time of the assault made by his troops upon Lee's intrenchments at Spotsylvania in 1864 Warren marched bravely in front of the host, repulsed in a new uniform. He was the idol of his men.

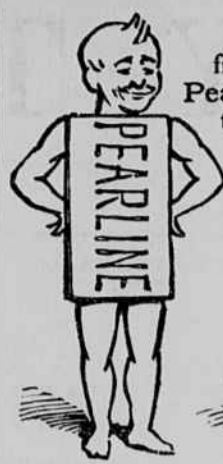
General Lee is doing what he can for the comfort of the men captured on board the filibustering schooner Comptor, which leads to the remark that but for the powerful interposition of the United States Government these unfortunate men would long ago have felt the full force of Spanish vengeance. As it is now, it is hardly probable that the death penalty will be enforced in their cases. Spain will kick vigorously and bluster considerably, but the government of the queen regent has no desire to try conclusions with the United States in the arena of war.

The plea that foreign investment would cease if this country adopted free coinage is untenable. Even in Mexico, where the conditions are not nearly as favorable as in the United States, industries of all kinds are springing up, and foreign capital is pouring into the country. In the matter of railroad development especially Mexico is making marked progress. Railway construction is going on actively in various parts of the Republic, and imports of English steel rails are continually increasing. The policy of the government, under the able administration of President Diaz, is now directed to the development and completion in the most essential parts of the present railway system, the greatest lack of facilities being in Southern Mexico and along the west coast, which is agriculturally and minerally the richest portion of the Republic.

While Chicago may be perfectly willing to give women all their rights in the divorce courts, there is still opposition in that progressive municipality against their doing service as jurymen. Judge Winde, of that city, on the 5th instant, refused to permit Mrs. E. D. Michner and Mrs. M. F. Stafford to serve as jurors in the criminal court, notwithstanding they were on the day previous conditionally accepted by another judge. This seems rather hard, but the ladies above mentioned have the consolation of knowing that the day is fast approaching when in many sections of this country women will have as many legal privileges as men. At present, however, their participation in court proceedings is generally regarded as a prelude to matrimony, where the true woman is always at her best, notwithstanding the occasional drawbacks in the matter of divorce, where, some censorious persons are spiteful enough to assert, Chicago is at her best.

The "middle of the road" men were somewhat sat down upon in the Populist national convention at St. Louis; but since then they have rallied amazingly and now threaten to carry things their own way in spite of the first linings of the moderates. In Texas, as was to be supposed from the developments at St. Louis, they are largely in the ascendant, and down in Georgia under the leadership of Mr. Watson, they not only will not hear to the withdrawal of their favorite, but even aspire to running a straight ticket. In Missouri also there seems to be no disposition on the part of the People's party to fuse with the Democrats, and the same condition of affairs is said to exist in several other Southern States. This does not augur so well for harmony, but it may be that they will yet look differently at the situation and join hands with the Democrats in capturing the elections of doubtful States.

The movement to call a convention of gold Democrats and nominate candidates for President and Vice-President is not exciting the enthusiasm which its originators hoped for. The opposition



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of Bourke Cockran, of New York, to another ticket and the silence of President Cleveland and his cabinet upon the subject have a ted as a damper upon the project, and the chances are that the scheme will not materialize. The course of the President, while it was not unexpected, comes with bad grace from a man who has made so many professions of party fealty and received so many benefits at the hands of the Democratic organization. Mr. Cleveland, however, seems to belong to that class of individuals in whose sweet will are embodied the duties and obligations of everybody else. Being, in his own mind, the largest part of the Democratic party, it was very easy for him to bow to the will of the majority, but now that the Chicago convention has put forth some claims in that direction, he finds it difficult to realize his own position.

SOUTH AFRICAN AFFAIRS.

The English government has decided to investigate the administration of Rhodesia by the British South African Company and the circumstances connected with the Jameson raid on the Dutch republic. This will probably lead to some startling developments in connection with recent events in South Africa, but when John Bull gets in an investigating mood he never "lets up" until matters are thoroughly sifted. The composition of the committee shows that no half-way measures will be taken in this case. The members are as follows: Right Hon. Joseph Chamberlain, secretary of state for the colonies; Sir Michael Hicks Beach, chancellor of the exchequer; Right Hon. Sir Wm. Hart Dyke, J. C. Bingham, Q. C.; C. A. Cripps, J. L. Wharton, Geo. Wyndham, Right Hon. W. L. Jackson and Attorney-General Sir Richard Webster, all supporters of the government, and the following members of the opposition: Sir Wm. Vernon Harcourt, the liberal leader in parliament; Sir Henry Campbell Bannerman, J. E. Ellis, Henry Labouchere, Sidney Charles Buxton and Hon. Edward Blake.

THE STATE OF TRADE.

Bradstreet's says: In nearly all lines trade is unchanged and in some departments lifelike. In the South and Southwest the heat has had an unfavorable influence, but merchants in all directions continue to buy for needs only. While it is too early for fall trade to assume large proportions, distribution of clothing and shoes at Chicago has improved somewhat, although less active than one year ago. At several centers bankers have preferred not to loan as freely as heretofore. Merchants not wishing to be refused have accordingly curtailed their requests for accommodation.

Mercantile collections are slow, in some instances more difficult to make. Renewed scrutiny of credits has had an effect in restricting the same.

Iron and steel industries remain excessively dull.

Cotton yarn manufacturers have agreed to curtail production 50 per cent. during August. Cotton goods remain unchanged, notwithstanding the higher price for cotton.

Comparatively favorable reports concerning general trade are more numerous than in preceding weeks. Pittsburgh jobbers report a slight increase in the volume of trade, but in Baltimore there is a marked improvement, with jobbers receiving orders freely.



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FOR HUMANITY'S SAKE.

To Editor The Times.

"Of hearts disconsolate see to the state,
 To bear a breaking heart may be thy fate.
 Help to be happy those that aid can bless,
 Mindful of their own day of helplessness.
 If thou at other's doors need'st not to pine,
 In thanks to Allah turn no man from thine.
 Over the orphan's path protection spread;
 Pluck out his heart-grief, his head-drooping head;
 When, with his neck bent low, thou spiest one,
 Rises not the lifted face of thine own son,
 Take heed such go no weeping, Allah's throne
 Shakes to the earth the orphan breathes alone."

Let all widowed mothers and superintendents of orphan asylums of Roanoke and vicinity take heed to this warning. There is a little white orphan boy of seven or eight years old being cruelly treated. Let the man who so inhumanly beats and works a fatherless child take heed if he wishes to escape the world's censure and scorn that a publication of his name and conduct would bring.

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 Roanoke, Va., Telephone Exchange.

NOTICE.

All persons indebted to Ernest L. Erb will please settle their accounts promptly on presentation by Mr. Walter Fishburne, who has same for collection.
 A. L. Sibert, trustee.

Don't forget everything in the Book and Stationery line is to be found at J. E. Rogers, 104 Jefferson street.

My little boy, when two years of age, was taken very ill with bloody flux. I was advised to use Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy, and luckily procured part of a bottle. I carefully read the directions and gave it accordingly. He was very low, but slowly and surely he began to improve, gradually recovered, and is now as stout and strong as ever. I feel sure I saved his life. I never can praise the Remedy half its worth. I am sorry that every one in the world does not know how good it is, as I do.—Mrs. Lina S. Hinton, Grahamsville, Marion Co., Florida. For sale by The Chas. Lyle Drug Co.

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NOTICE.

Anyone visiting the picnic at Coyner's Springs this week will find all kinds of refreshments served on the grounds. Lunch 25 cents. Dinner at hotel 50 cents.

Those in need of furniture and house furnishing goods would do well to call at Donaldson's before buying, as their entire stock will be on the market at cost for the next thirty days. Mark Reid, trustee.



Good Bread is never produced from inferior flour—everybody knows that. The foundation of good flour is choice wheat. Machinery, method and "know-how" are all important in the making of a reliable, uniform brand like "Pillsbury's Best." There are other good brands of flour, but "Pillsbury's Best" is always best and brings the best price.

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SALEM NEWS

Miss Ella Smith, of Harrisburg, is in Salem visiting her sister, Mrs. J. C. Specht.

Mrs. Capt. Sayers and daughter, Miss Centie, left Salem for Giles county yesterday morning.

Miss Lurah Fisher, of Harrisburg, Penn., is visiting her mother, Mrs. Minichan, of West Salem.

Col. D. C. Shanks returned to Salem Thursday night from a business trip through Montgomery county.

It is reported that the crop of watermelons in Salem and vicinity is not more than a third as large as usual this season.

Miss Bessie Bonsack, of Bonsack, and Miss Clyde Helms, of Rocky Mount, are visiting Miss Bessie Wiley, on Broad street.

The recent burning hot weather has made the lack of a street sprinkler keenly felt in Salem. The town should have one by all means.

Wm. Terrill, Miss Stone, and Mr. and Mrs. Johnson, all of Roanoke, spent Thursday evening with Mrs. B. Lacy Hoge at G. J. Ligon's.

Mrs. D. T. Martin has gone to Augusta county for a visit to friends. Mrs. Martin was accompanied by all of her children and Mr. Martin is feeling quite lonely.

A. G. Duncan, of the Farmers' National Bank, left Salem yesterday for his old home at Buckingham Court House, where he will spend a short time with old friends.

Col. Geo. C. Cabell and wife, of Danville, are visiting Mrs. W. H. Tinsley. They are driving through the country to Mountain Lake, where they expect to spend the heated season.

B. Lacy Hoge, chairman of the Prohibition Party in Virginia, has just returned from Purcellville, Loudoun county, Virginia, where he had been invited to speak at the famous Prohibition bush meeting held on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday of this week.

Dr. Wells gives the official temperature for the week as follows: Monday, 89; Tuesday, 90; Wednesday, 92; Thursday, 93. The Doctor is being very much annoyed by certain persons who seem to think he has under control the state of the weather for an indefinite length of time and should be expected to give information accordingly.

Hon. T. W. Simpson, member of the house of representatives from Campbell county and chairman of the People's party of the Fifth district, is at the Roanoke Red for his health, not having entirely recovered from a severe spell of sickness last winter. Mr. Simpson has called a meeting of his committee at Hotel Arlington, Lynchburg, August 15. W. H. Tinsley, of Salem, is a member of this committee and also of the State People's party committee.

A pleasant party was given Thursday evening at the home of W. H. Ruthraff. Wm. Montgomery had charge of the amusements of the evening, which means that they were original and entertaining. One of the best amusements was the new woman's contest, during which Robert Logan, William Armstrong, Erskine White, William Ruthraff and Clarence Fox championed the rights of men writing receipts for making coffee, bread and chicken salad, sewing on buttons and cutting out sleeve patterns.

Catogni serves excellent lunches.

Yost-Farrer Co. sell the best harness in the city.

Angel cake 25 cents at Catogni's.

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When You Talk.

Don't monopolize all the talk. Don't be one of those whose speech is like the steady flow of oil from a capacious tank, that seems as though it might gush on forever. In ordinary conversation give your companions a fair chance, and if you would be considered a good conversationalist be careful to do your full share of attentive listening rather than talking.

Don't talk too much about your rich relations and distinguished friends. No one is considered great merely because he knows great people. Those who try to shine by this sort of reflected glory give out a very dim light, much dimmer than they imagine.

Don't always talk on the same subject. If you have a hobby, whether it be the north pole or the equator or civil reform or woman's rights or anything else, spare your friends the infliction of hearing the same old story every time you meet them.

Don't fall into the habit of talking to one who is occupied in reading. You are doubtless acquainted with people in whose presence you cannot take up a paper to read a short article without the disturbing consciousness that you are liable at any moment to be interrupted. If so, you realize that this is a habit to be shunned.

Don't in any conversation annoy your listener with the perpetual question, "Don't you think so?" Perhaps your listener doesn't think or care anything about the matter, or he may not wish to express an opinion on the subject, or the thing stated may seem too absurd to deserve an opinion. In any case the constant questioning becomes an intolerable nuisance.

When She Liked Them.

The blond had evidently made up her mind. "As for bifurcated garments"—she began. "Yes?" said the burnette expectantly. "I don't think much of them, as a general rule, but of course there are exceptions."

"Of course."

"I am not at all opposed to a bifurcated garment with a man in it."—Chicago Post.

It Failed to Walk.

"Speaking of 'Hamlet' with Harriet left out," said the weary and wayworn erstwhile Polonius, "it ain't a marker to 'Hamlet' with the ghost left out." And the Rialto was 400 miles away.

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THE TIMES will give a grand \$400 Piano to the person who guesses nearest to the popular vote at the next Presidential election, to be held in November. For the benefit of those who wish to try their guessing faculties, we append a statement of the popular vote in the last four Presidential elections:

In 1880	9,209,406
In 1884	10,044,985
In 1888	11,380,860
In 1892	12,059,351

The above figures show that there was a gradual gain in the voting population.

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CONDITIONS.

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